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DURING THE AMBASSADOR'S AUGUST 8 MEETING WITH THE PRIME MINISTER, FOREIGN MINISTER CHARUNPHAN ITSARANGKUN NA AYUTTHAYA EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN ABOUT RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN LAOS, ESPECIALLY THE POSSIBILITY OF PHOUMI VONGVICHIT BEING NAMED INTERIM PRIME MINISTER IN THE ABSENCE OF SOUVANNA PHOUMA. CHARUNPHAN, WHO SERVED AS THAI AMBASSADOR TO LAOS, SAID LAO RIGHTISTS WOULD BE VERY UNHAPPY WITH SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT AND HE DOUBTED SUCH AN AGREEMENT COULD BE REACHED BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES. HE SAID HE HAD RECEIVED WORD THAT SOMEONE FROM OUTSIDE THE TWO FACTIONS AND RELATED TO THE ROYAL FAMILY MIGHT BE ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION, AND THAT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE KING'S COUNCIL, PRINCE KHAMMAO, HAD BEEN MENTIONED AS A POSSIBLE CHOICE.

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